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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Election Requirement and the Species Requirement dated August 17, 2006. Applicants hereby elect group 1, species I, with traverse.

REMARKS

Claims 1-33 are pending in the application. By this Response, group 1, directed to claims 1-31, and species I, directed to claims 1, 10,13-14, has been elected for examination. However, Applicants submit that claims 1-2 and 4-15 should be properly examined on the merits for the reasons given below. Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Regarding the Species Requirement, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1, 4-9 are generic. Applicants further submit that it is improper for the Office to require an election